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Scioto County deputies rushed to Kroger after reports of a suspicious man allegedly trying to open vehicle doors in the parking lot.

According to dispatch information, the man was described as:

- Bald
- Wearing shorts
- And an American flag shirt

Callers reported the man was going from vehicle to vehicle attempting to open doors.

Deputies responded quickly to investigate, but the suspect was gone before officers arrived.

⚠️ WHY STORE PARKING LOTS ARE COMMON TARGETS

Police say grocery store parking lots are especially vulnerable to thefts and suspicious activity because:

- People are distracted loading groceries
- Vehicles are frequently left unlocked
- Purses and wallets are left visible
- And shoppers often assume they'll only be inside "for a minute"

Criminals sometimes simply walk through parking lots checking for unlocked doors.

👀 HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

Deputies recommend:

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- Locking your doors immediately after exiting
- Never leaving purses, wallets, or guns visible
- Parking in well-lit areas
- Staying alert while loading groceries
- Avoiding distractions like phones while walking to your car

🚘 IF SOMEONE IS CHECKING DOORS

Police say residents should:

- Avoid confronting suspicious people directly
- Stay inside businesses or vehicles if uncomfortable
- Get descriptions if safely possible
- Call law enforcement immediately

Because someone checking car doors may be looking for much more than loose change.

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A Portsmouth traffic stop turned argumentative after a driver questioned why officers pulled him over in the first place.

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According to the report, the driver became confrontational during the stop and accused officers of profiling him because of his race.

Officers explained the reason for the stop was [illegible] registration.

Police also noted the vehicle allegedly displayed [illegible].

According to the report, the driver failed to provide proof of insurance after being asked multiple times.

Officers eventually arranged to have the vehicle towed to the impound lot and issued citations connected to the violations.

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🚓 YES — OFFICERS OFTEN RUN PLATES AUTOMATICALLY

Many people are surprised to learn that officers routinely check license plates while on patrol.

Modern police vehicles often use:

- Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPRs)
- In-car computers
- Or dashboard camera systems linked to registration databases

Those systems can instantly alert officers to:

- Expired tags
- Suspended registrations
- Stolen vehicles
- Missing insurance flags
- Warrants connected to vehicle owners

In many cases, officers never even speak to a driver until after a computer system flags the vehicle.

⚠️ EXPIRED TAGS CAN LEAD TO BIGGER PROBLEMS

Police say drivers sometimes underestimate how quickly expired plates or insurance issues can escalate into:

- Citations
- Vehicle impounds
- License suspensions
- Or additional criminal charges if warrants are involved

That's one reason officers encourage drivers to keep registration and insurance information current—even if the violation initially seems minor.

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